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Road construction to reduce traffic problems



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Workers dig trenches for watermain pipes

By Nellie Blake

Waterloo Region and the City of Kitchener, in an effort to improve the traffic flow into Conestoga College's Doon campus, have joined forces to reconstruct Homer Watson Boulevard into a four-lane highway and re-align New Dundee Road to join Doon Valley Drive.

Reconstruction began Sept. 19 with the removal of asphalt from Pinnacle Drive and the installation of watermains on Homer Watson Boulevard on Sept. 25. Doon Valley Drive, the collector road into the college, is also under construction.

Proposals for reconstruction began when the college, the City of Kitchener and Waterloo Region discussed possibilities of a system to eliminate dangerous traffic build-up resulting from students coming into and out of the college.

Jerry Thompson, director of roads division for Waterloo Region, said the original proposal was talked about as far back as 10 years ago. The preliminary design study was submitted to the college in January 1984 covering the period of 1982-83, he said.

Reconstruction of Homer Watson Boulevard will be

spaced out over a number of years and will be done one side at a time to allow access to the college.

"We will keep traffic open during construction but it will still be quite a mess," said Thompson.

Construction between Highway 401 and Homer Watson Boulevard to realign New Dundee Road is scheduled for 1989-90 and will cost approximately \$10,000 for design, \$725,000 for design reconstruction and \$950,000 for reconstruction and signal lights.

New Dundee Road will be built to run through the middle of the proposed industrial development to connect with Doon Valley Drive and might possibly eliminate Pinnacle Drive, said Thompson, but he added that it is still undecided.

The collector road (Doon Valley Drive) will be redone by the City of Kitchener and is scheduled for 1990, said Thompson.

"When they're four-lane roadways, capacity is going to be increased materially, so it's going to mean a much-improved level of service into the college," said Thompson, adding that it is the whole point of the project.

Reconstruction of Pinnacle Drive to Carriage Drive is

scheduled for 1990 and is predicted to cost \$425,000 including underground utilities and \$50,000 for design.

In 1992, rebuilding is predicted to cost \$1,250,000 and in 1993 predictions say it will cost \$925,000 for reconstruction and underground utilities. In 1994 it will cost \$110,000 for new asphalt.

Mac Rostance, manager of physical resources at Conestoga College, said he has not yet been notified of the plans of the City of Kitchener or Waterloo Region to begin construction.

"All they've (the City of Kitchener and Waterloo Region) done is told us when the roads will be closed and this sort of thing . . . but as far as we are concerned we have no idea of what's going on," said Rostance.

Rostance said if he has any traffic problems he contacts Barbara Gilmore of the traffic department for Waterloo Region.

"The whole problem is the traffic in and out of the college, and there is a plan on the books to bring in another road. It should have started a year ago and it wasn't, and I have absolutely no idea when they intend to start it," said Rostance.

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Teachers reject offer; support staff settles

By Carol-Ann Nugent

Support staff at community colleges have accepted a new two-year contract, but academic staff rejected a contract offer by an 80-per-cent "no" vote Sept. 29.

The support staff at Ontario's 22 community colleges voted 74 per cent in favor of a two-year contract Sept. 24, said Catherine Macleod, a commun-

ications officer for the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU).

The contract, effective Sept. 1, 1987 to Aug. 31, 1989, offers all members a 4.3-per-cent wage increase for the first year, retroactive to Sept. 1, 1987.

The lowest rate of pay will increase from \$8.74 per hour to \$9.12 per hour. The average

rate will increase from \$12.63 per hour to \$13.17 per hour. The highest rate will increase from \$22.40 per hour to \$23.36 per hour.

For the second year, effective Sept. 1, 1988, the lowest and average rates will increase 54 cents (per hour), bringing the lowest rate to \$9.68 per hour, and the average rate to \$13.78 per hour.

The highest rate of pay will increase 4.4 per cent in the second year, bringing the hourly wage to \$24.39.

Kerry Jennings, Conestoga president of Local 237, said the reason for a difference in the increases for the second year exists because if 56 cents were given to everyone, it would be a lower percentage to those earning the highest rate. And if

everyone were given a percentage increase, it wouldn't mean as much to the people earning the lowest average rates.

"It's a way of blending it to keep the top rate and lowest rate from separating or compressing too much," Jennings said.

Macleod said the overall improvement of wages and benefits has a 10.2 per cent value, with new improvements to hearing care, visual care and dental plans.

Of the 231 support staff members at Conestoga College, 85.1 per cent voted in favor of the new contract.

Academic staff, while rejecting an offer Sept. 29, did not take a strike vote but sent their negotiators back to the bargaining table.

Minor crash

A Doon campus teacher involved in a minor car accident Friday, Sept. 25 is requesting that witnesses to the accident report to the Doon campus security office.

The accident occurred between 11:30 a.m. and 12 noon in parking lot two of Conestoga College's Doon campus. Vehicles involved were a 1984 grey Ford Tempo and a white or off-white Ford Tempo.

DSA rep campaign is off to slow start

By Cheryl Bryant

Despite prominent advertising, the Doon Student Association (DSA) received only five responses to its request for student representatives for its board of directors as of Sept. 24.

DSA vice-president Tony Karais said students from early childhood education, data processing and marketing programs agreed to become representatives on the DSA's advisory board. Still needed were students from management studies, accounting, broadcasting-radio and television, law and security administration, journalism-print and a majority of technical programs.

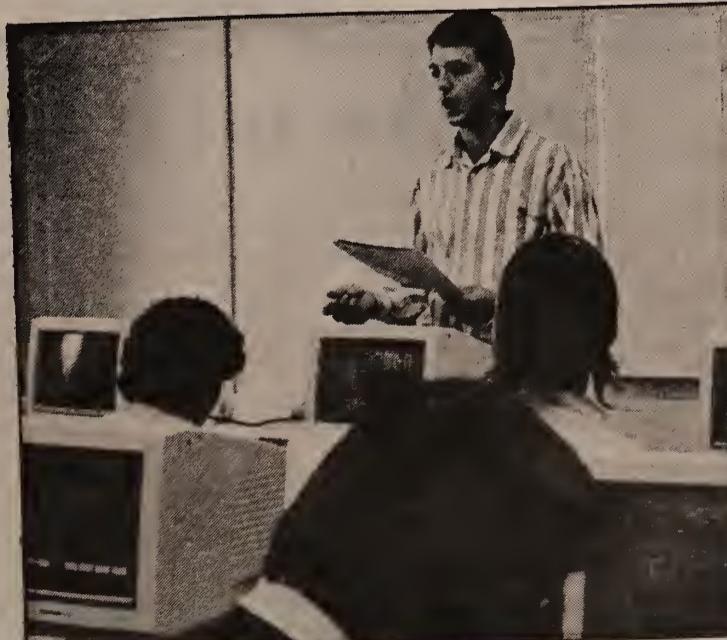
The first meeting of the board of directors is scheduled for Oct. 7 at 4:30 p.m. Karais said the meetings usually last no longer than half an hour.

On Sept. 24, Karais began visiting classes as part of a campaign to attract student representatives.

Duties as a student representative include "showing up" at the monthly meetings, Karais said. Students may pass along opinions of other students in their programs at the meetings, and keep students informed of DSA operations and events.

According to the DSA constitution, the board is comprised of 20 representatives or directors, including five DSA executive members. The DSA president chairs meetings and votes in cases of a tie. A meeting can only take place if seven members are present.

Students who attend at least 75 per cent of the meetings receive \$5 for each meeting attended, Karais said in an earlier interview.



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Tony Karais campaigns for a data processing rep

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**Viewpoint**

By Bruce Johnson

Innocent?

Whatever happened to the principle that you are innocent until proven guilty?

Ontario Provincial Police investigators, during a Sept. 21 press conference, suggested that reporters attempt to speak with a man suspected of being a serial killer in the murders of six people in Eastern Ontario.

The man, in his 40s, was identified by OPP investigators in July as being a suspect in the case, but not enough evidence has been found to warrant his arrest.

Following the OPP invitation, 12 reporters and photographers flocked to the suspect's home and attempted to question him. He was unable to get into his house unseen until late that night, and he told reporters stationed outside his window that he was going to consult his lawyer in the morning.

The man appeared on an Ottawa television station Sept. 23 to report that he is the suspect police have centered their search on, and he added that he has been followed everywhere by police since July 14.

"Wherever I turn around, I always see someone following me . . . I'm giving this interview today of my own free will and I hope something comes out of it because I haven't done nothing," he said.

Since the television interview, I have heard people say how much the man resembles child-killer Clifford Olson. Already the man is guilty to some, without benefit of a trial or counsel. Is this blatant disregard for our jurisprudence to become the norm for trying Canadian citizens?

The method in which the police have handled the investigation has drawn severe criticism from, among others, the Crown prosecutor of the area where four of the six deaths occurred.

Guilty or not, no one should have the right to accuse another person of a crime as serious as this without enough evidence to support the claims.

If the man is guilty, and police believe they have enough evidence to put him away, they should charge him with the crime and let the courts handle him. But if he is innocent, should he not also be entitled to the same benefits from our judicial system as you and I?

And if the man is innocent, what then? Did apologies make it better for Susan Nelles after the authorities tore her world apart? I think not.



By
**Deborah
Crandall**

To smoke or not to smoke -- that is not the question. Surgeon generals, doctors and non-smokers would gladly volunteer a response if it were. The question is, should people who choose to smoke, despite the obvious health risks imposed by the habit, have any rights or say as to where and when they may light up?

As the detrimental effects of nicotine become more apparent to the medical world, more and more smokers are butting out permanently, but there are many with the addiction that will not part with their cigarettes, no matter what the dangers may be.

OPINION

Why shouldn't we go there?

They won't let us stay.
My brother, Nazo, went
there once. A man named
Mulroney called him
an illegal immigrant
and made him leave.

A Bruce

Question of the Week**How will you celebrate Oktoberfest?**

"I'm going to Kent State for varsity hockey for the first two days then I'm coming back for college pub night."
Darren Boutilier
2nd year marketing



"Drinking lots of beer."
Betty Ann Logel
1st year accounting



"Underneath a table with my favorite booze buddies."
Jayson Heller
3rd year management studies



"By going to the Doon pub night."
Rose McCabe
2nd year nursing



"Drinking heavily at Queensmount arena and maybe the Concordia Club if I can weasel a ticket out of someone."
Tim Bonn
2nd year CPA



"Hopefully, I'll get into the Concordia Club if I can get a ticket and I'm going to the student pub night."
Steve Sulkowski
3rd year accounting

Smoke on the battlefield

Over the past decade, the list of places in which smoking is not permitted has grown to include buses, offices, factories, restaurants, sports stadiums, movie theatres and commercial airplanes. There was discussion at the recent board of governors meeting at Conestoga's Doon campus about the possibility of adding this college to the list of smoke-free environments.

It seems that this society has made a decision to completely eliminate smoking from public places. But what, now, becomes of the smokers? Are they to shake off withdrawal while trying to function in the workplace, run to their cars at the end of the day, roll up the windows, duck down in the seat and light up?

The problem of where and when smokers should be permitted to indulge in their habit has no easy solution.

Although the complaints and demands of non-smokers are genuine and not without justification, how can it be expected that smokers vanish from the face of the planet?

All will agree (even those who indulge) that smoking is a less-than-pleasant habit, and that it causes discomfort to many non-smokers in many locations. And all will agree that non-smokers should not have to endure this discomfort.

But the discomfort a smoker endures while being restricted from smoking is also quite real.

The battlefield in the war between smokers and non-smokers is a bloody

one and no peaceful terms are in view. Neither side seems willing to give a little.

Surely, there must be a way to designate smoking areas in most public places so that non-smokers can maintain their health and smokers can maintain their sanity.

There will always be smokers. People will always partake in rituals that are known to be bad for the health, such as alcohol consumption and cheeseburger eating.

The only reasonable solution in a conflict where neither side is willing to back down is to negotiate terms of agreement that are of benefit to both parties.

Smokers, have some consideration. Non-smokers, have some compassion.

Paul Colussi — 1.5 kids and an old Pinto

By Cheryl Bryant

Conestoga College student Paul Colussi expects to have little free time this year.

Already devoted to a part-time job and upcoming varsity sports, the third-year marketing student is also 1987-88's president of the Doon Student Association (DSA).

A Grade-13 graduate of Waterloo Collegiate Institute, Colussi said he didn't discover his business interests until his final year of high school. Football was his main high school priority, he said, and he still dreams of coaching football professionally.

"I'm one of those excellent armchair quarterbacks. You know, I would have done (it) this... (way)."

Colussi said he decided to attend Conestoga College on the spur of the moment. He applied and was accepted to the business administration-accounting program on the Friday before Labor Day weekend four years ago.

Colussi said after two years in the accounting program he transferred to marketing because it held more interest for him.

"I love marketing. You get to meet people, get to talk to people, and that's me."

Colussi said his future career plans could take him into the advertising field and he hopes to work for a major brewery or soft drink company. He said 10 years from now he'd like to

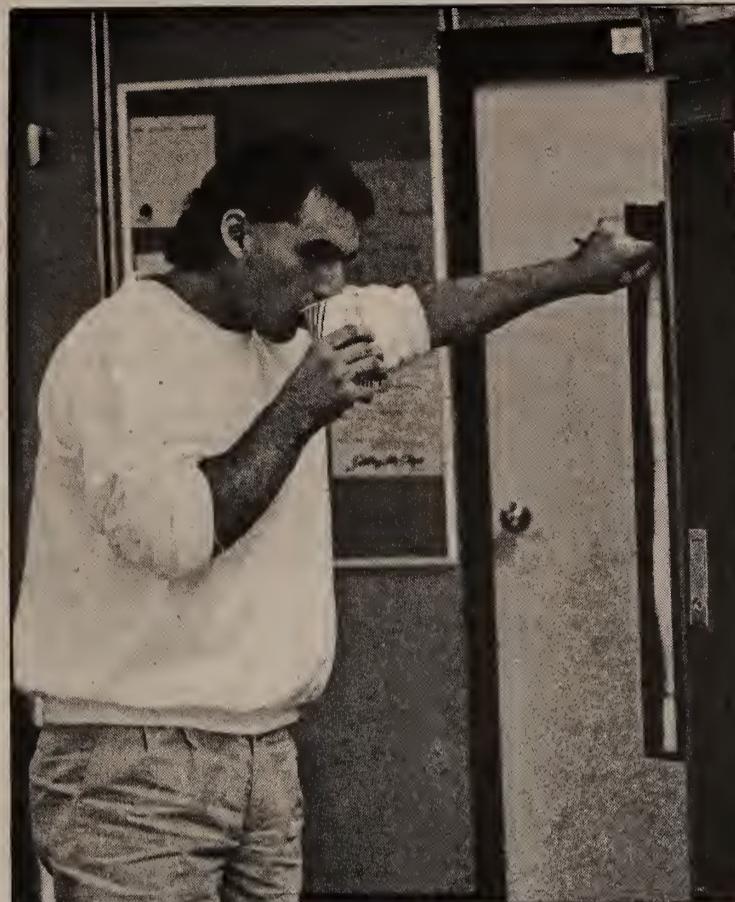


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DSA president Paul Colussi pauses at a vending machine

have a responsible company position.

"I'd like to see myself with a house, 1.5 children and maybe even married," he said, laughing.

Colussi said he's a two-car

person. His ultimate vehicle is a Toyota 4-Runner but he still fondly remembers his Ford Pinto — a "great car" with character but no reverse gear.

Colussi said if he couldn't drive straight through a park-

ing space, he'd have to shift the car into neutral and push it out. He laughed as he remembered an incident in the parking lot of a local liquor store.

"Around Christmas time, they've got an attendant telling you where to park. We pulled in like he told us to but we couldn't pull out. So the attendant was pushing, my friends were pushing and I was just sitting in the car."

"It (the car) got me recognition. It was the only thing people knew about me for the longest time."

Perhaps in keeping with Colussi's jovial character, his interest in the DSA began as a joke. Colussi said the idea was first brought up at a party last year but became a reality when he and last year's DSA president, Bruce Hunking, decided to run as a team in 1986.

This year, Colussi said, he had planned to run for vice-president a second time but was convinced by Hunking to try for the president's position. No one ran against Colussi in the March elections.

"The only thing I was afraid of was not being able to do as much as Bruce. I still don't think I'm able to do as much as Bruce did."

Colussi said he finds time organization difficult, one of the reasons he gave the responsibility of attending Conestoga College board of governors meetings to vice-president Tony Karais.

Colussi praised this year's DSA executive as being more interested in their positions than last year's group.

"This year's vice-president is a lot better than last year's," he said. "He's got a lot more energy and he wants to do more things."

Colussi said his main priority is to maintain high marks in his final year. He said the DSA is secondary to this goal.

"I'm honest about it. DSA people will hate me for a year but I have to live with myself for the rest of my life."

After graduating, Colussi said, he'd like to revisit Italy, his favorite vacation spot, for the fourth time.

"When you go to the ocean, girls sunbathe topless. It's a new thing for you."

"The water's great," he said, describing Italy's features. "The beach goes for such a long time, it's just fantastic. You keep walking and walking and you never hit the end."

Colussi said he has not always been the confident, outspoken person he is today. He described himself as quiet and shy during high school, though few people at the college have seen that side of his personality.

"Then I came here (Conestoga) and I was loud. Not that I became popular, but nobody ran against me (for president). I'm a lot more fun now."

Doon bookstore prepared for extra student influx

By Esther Jancsar

Elaine Mullan, supervisor of the Doon campus bookstore, said traffic was steady during the first few weeks of the year, but lineups were minimal.

With the abundance of new students enrolled at the Doon campus, the bookstore was prepared for the additional influx, she said.

Mullan said the cost of books and materials has increased

slightly from last year due to increased expenses for printing and new additions.

She said the price of materials is based on cost. The cheaper the price, the easier it is on the students.

Mullan said there were no major delays in books and supplies coming in this year. She said more stationery and supplies were ordered because of the opening of the nursing complex at Doon.

Mullan said a security guard is present the first few weeks of the year to monitor traffic flow. He is supposed to allow 25 to 30 students in the store at once.

Mullan said theft isn't a major problem at the bookstore. It works to the students' advantage to be honest, because prices are therefore lower.

"I didn't hear of any thefts

Oktoberfest pub approaches

By Cheryl Bryant

One of the most popular pub nights for Conestoga College students is approaching quickly, bringing with it memories from past years of beer chugging, high-spirited polkas and the echoing cheers of "oom-pah."

This year's Oktoberfest pub

will be held at Queensmount arena in Kitchener on Oct. 15, said Sandy Nay, Doon Student Association (DSA) activities coordinator.

Nay said the host for the night will be the Kitchener-Waterloo Lions Club, which looks after the printing of tickets and choosing of beverages. Alcohol prices are set through K-W Oktoberfest Inc.

Nay said 1,000 of the 1,400 tickets available for sale on Oct. 2 will be offered at Doon campus, while the remaining 400 will be distributed at the Guelph, Waterloo and Stratford campuses. She said she expects the tickets to sell out by Oct. 8.

"It's probably a premium

pub night because of its off-campus location and maximum capacity (of Queensmount arena)."

Entertainment for the night will be provided by Walter Ostanek and his band, described as an "oompah" band by Nay. Along with traditional Oktoberfest polka music, the band will play Top 40 music. The night's events will include dance contests.

Nay said a variety of beverages, ranging from Lowenbrau beer to schnapps and soft drinks, will be offered. Students will also be able to purchase souvenirs, beer nuts, candy floss and a variety of foods from concession stands in the arena.

reported," Mullan said.

In addition to the two full-time employees, Mullan said she hired three part-time em-

ployees. She would also like to hire one more part-time employee and stay open lunch hours.

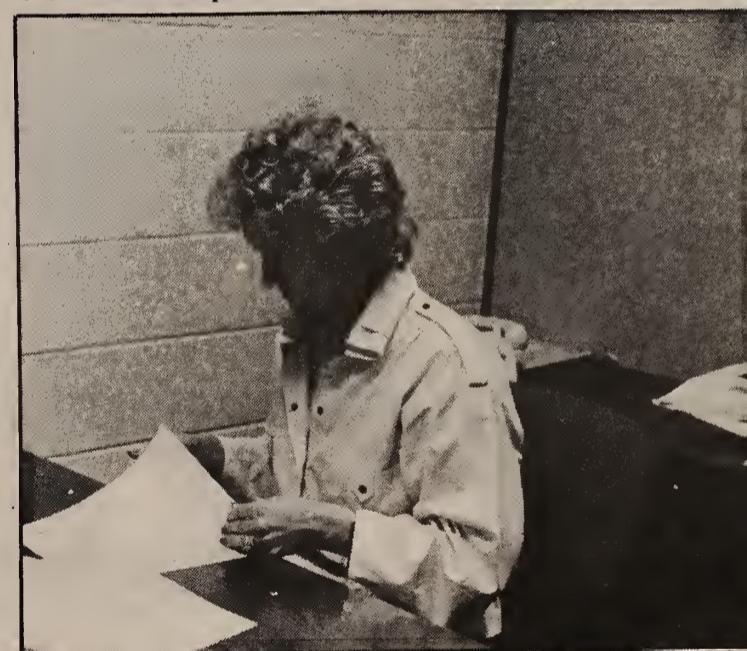


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Elaine Mullan, manager of Doon campus bookstore

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ENTERTAINMENT

Rock concert at rec centre could happen

By Angelo Mirabelli

Bob Neath, manager of Doon campus's recreation centre, said staging a rock concert at the Kenneth Hunter recreation centre could happen if certain rules are met.

Neath said the conditions would include an early booking for set-up, an agreement on cost-sharing between the college and the promoter, a clear mandate on lounge or refreshment space, permission by college president John Tibbits,

the signing of the band(s), and acquiring any necessary licences.

Neath said gospel concerts have been presented at the centre for the past two years. The idea of staging a rock concert has never been raised.

The centre, with its fine acoustics, 13,000 square feet of space and 2,100 seating capacity, is ideal for such an event. Neath stressed that even though the centre is basically a sports facility, it's also an all-purpose building.

"We certainly have the staging that's required, room for a sound system and light packages and adequate parking," Neath said.

Neath said that the centre was completed in 1980, about the same period that Kitchener's Centre in the Square was constructed. Neath said the people (from the U.S.) who designed the acoustics for Kitchener's Centre came and worked on Conestoga's.

Neath said if a rock concert were to be held in the centre,

signing of the band and promoting the concert would be the responsibility of the person setting up the event.

The cost for such an event would depend on expenses such as rent. He said the rent deposit is a high priority. The rent charged for the gospel concerts were \$1,200 per hour, which included set-up.

The staging of any concert that is a student activity would be given priority at the centre, he said, as long as there is a date available for an event.

Neath said the centre is open year-round for the college and for the community.

Neath said he did not believe a concert could lead to damage of the gym's floor.

"The floor is not fragile. It could be used for anything. We have had dog and horse shows here," Neath said.

Neath said that anybody could propose such a concert, but because of limited scheduling space on the centre's calendar, a concert would have to be staged after Christmas.

Broadcasting students enjoy filming parade

By Angelo Mirabelli

While most Conestoga College students will be home during Thanksgiving Monday, two broadcasting, radio and television (brt) students will be gripping camera equipment rather than a fork and knife.

Ross MacIntosh and Michelle Ringle, both second-year stu-

dents, are involved in heading a group of 30 or more brt students in video-taping the 1987 Oktoberfest parade. Both enjoyed doing the filming last year as technical assistants and are thrilled with the chance of directing it this year.

Both are going to work inside the college's mobile bus that is

used for taping various parades including Toronto's Santa Claus parade.

The mobile bus, which is set up for black and white television remotes, will be transferred to color for the Oktoberfest parade. The bus will be set up along the Labatt brewery in Waterloo.

"Basically, everything we have in the studio to do a shoot, such as cameras, camera-control units, time base correctors and other things that have to be used for color production, will have to be moved into the mobile unit," MacIntosh said.

"The mobile is converted into a color bus. It will take our technicians two weeks to do that."

MacIntosh said the mobile unit is for the students use whenever they want to handle a project like this. MacIntosh said he plans to tape upcoming Kitchener Ranger hockey games.

MacIntosh said that past student-produced Oktoberfest parades have been successful. He credits the experience students, like himself, get from the first to second year of the program.

"The first-year parades are touch and go, lots of errors in them. Hopefully in the second

year we won't be committing as many errors. We are supposed to know what we are doing and the productions are usually pretty good," MacIntosh said.

The production crew that handles college events such as the Homegrown Talent contest, are not the same as out-of-class projects.

"When a production is out-of-school, the students are not required to participate. It is on our own time. No one is required to go to the Oktoberfest parade, we want to do it for experience," MacIntosh said.

MacIntosh said that most students in the program try to get as many outside projects done because they cannot sign

equipment out during class-time.

"The mobile unit is used out-of-class unless there is a big production going on," MacIntosh said.

"The most important thing on a television production is that you are not just doing your job. You have to work as a team and if you don't work as a team (it) won't come together," MacIntosh said.

The crew will start set-up at 6 a.m. and will not finish the one-hour parade until four hours later. MacIntosh still has to get in touch with Labatt officials for the use of their hydro pickup and to get a permit for access to the parade.

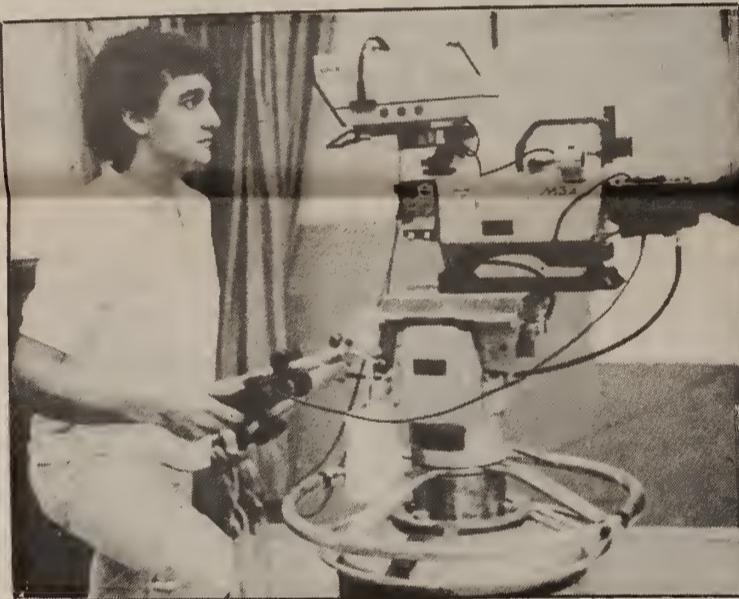


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Ross MacIntosh uses a Sony video camera

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BANG: Weekend warriors seek adventure . . .

Story and Photos By Bruce Johnson

Cool, blue smoke poured from the barrel of the gun as his victim sank slowly to the ground in agony.

The victim, a Viet Cong soldier, lay sprawled on the wet jungle floor for five or six seconds before rising with anger and shouting, "I'm dead, don't shoot."

Confused? Don't be, for these soldiers always get up after dying, and the only casualties in this war are a temporary loss of pride and the brief sting of getting shot by a paint pellet.

Welcome to the world of the weekend warrior, those anti-Monday mercenaries who participate in the survival sport of Flag Raiders.

Started locally four years ago, Flag Raiders was the brainchild of Conestoga College student Joe Kimpson, 24, who patterned the game after similar war games popular in Canada and the United States.

"Where else can you go and shoot people all day and not hurt anyone?" — A survival game participant.

"I played the sport once in Hamilton and it was a lot of fun, so I did a marketing project for school and started my own business," Kimpson said.

Kimpson, a third-year marketing student at the Doon campus, said the game "attracts people from all walks of life."

"We get all types (of people). Assembly line workers, bikers, accountants, you name it. Surprisingly, the people that you would least expect to really get into the game are the ones who go wild when they start to play," he said.

The sport, played on 120 acres of leased farmland, involves two teams consisting of experienced and non-experienced players, male and female, who are given different combat-based situations throughout the day. Once participants have been shot, they are "dead" until that specific game ends.

Each team member is given a carbon dioxide pistol and 40 paint pellets at the start of the day and can purchase more pellets and CO₂ cartridges at the end of each game. Goggles are also issued to each player and, if caught with them off, players are removed from the game.

Steve Amis, a Flag Raider's manager, said players usually play between five and six games during the seven hours of playing time.



Dale Poll of Kitchener awaits the enemy

. . . but is it just a game?

By Bruce Johnson

Due to the rising popularity of survival-type games in Canada and the United States, organizers have found that all types of people have flocked to don face paint, strap on a sidearm and evaluate their opposition.

Joe Kimpson, a Conestoga College marketing student and owner of Cambridge-based Flag Raiders, said that while the "sport of survival-type games is rapidly growing," he doesn't feel that Flag Raiders "promotes war."

"I think that people play (Flag Raiders) for the sport of it and not because they are war mongers," he said.

Steve Amis, a Flag Raiders manager, added that the "definite consensus from all who have played is they never want to be involved in anything real."

Gary Weeks, co-ordinator of the psychology and sociol-

ogy program at Conestoga College, said he sees nothing wrong with the sport, "as long as it is in good fun, and the players don't take it too seriously."

Weeks added that people, especially professionals, can "sometimes get so involved in their work that they can't separate work from play."

"Some people just can't turn off the power of work. Their play becomes work for them," Weeks said.

When asked if he would ever play the sport, Weeks said it "would depend whom I was playing it with."

Weeks added that there are groups of people in England and Canada who dress in armor and simulate battles, "and that is accepted as sport."

According to Oxford's dictionary, the word sport can be used to describe "an athletic activity, (or) any game or pastime... such as hunting."

"The thing that people really like about Flag Raiders, as opposed to other survival-type organizations, is that we have many different scenarios for the players to go through, like Vietnam, search and destroy, Cambodia, World War Two and downed pilot," Amis said.

"It's funny to watch (the players) sometimes. They will get together and work out all of these different strategies, but the second the horn sounds (to start the game) they take off into the bush," Amis added.

And how do the players feel about Flag Raiders? Mark Rick, 30, of Kitchener, said, "It's pretty wild when those pellets go whizzing by your head as you run through the woods. This is exciting stuff."

John Pastor, 29, of Puslinch, said: "I like the way the organizers have presented the safety factor to us. They make sure we have our goggles on at all times."

Still slightly winded after getting shot five times while trying to capture the enemy's flag during one game, Jim Salter, 21, said excitedly: "I've never done anything like this before. I can't believe how much everybody is getting into this. You really get caught up in the game."

Salter added that he probably "wouldn't enjoy it as much if the bullets were real."

While players do tend to "get caught up in the game," Kimpson and Amis, along with two other organizers, Amis's brother Scott and Tom Kefalas, do their best to keep things under control.

"If someone gets shot in the head and he or she thinks it was on purpose, we try to calm them down. We've never had a problem with people getting too wrapped up in the action, though," Kimpson said.

Another aspect of the sport is the amount of energy spent by promoters to downplay the "war aspect."

"We think of it as more of a sport than as a promotion of war. In fact, in America they call the sport 'splat ball' to get away from the war connotations," Kimpson said.

"We were also fortunate that our location borders the Waterloo-Guelph Regional Airport. This tends to add to the game because there are planes and helicopters constantly buzzing over the heads of the participants," Amis said.

"We think of it as more of a sport than as a promotion of war." — Joe Kimpson, owner of Flag Raiders.

As players straggled back to their base camp for a lunch of hot dogs and a soft drink, compliments of Flag Raiders, they all seemed to think that the \$35 cost for the day was money well spent. "Where else can you go and shoot people all day and not hurt anyone," one muddied and wet competitor said.

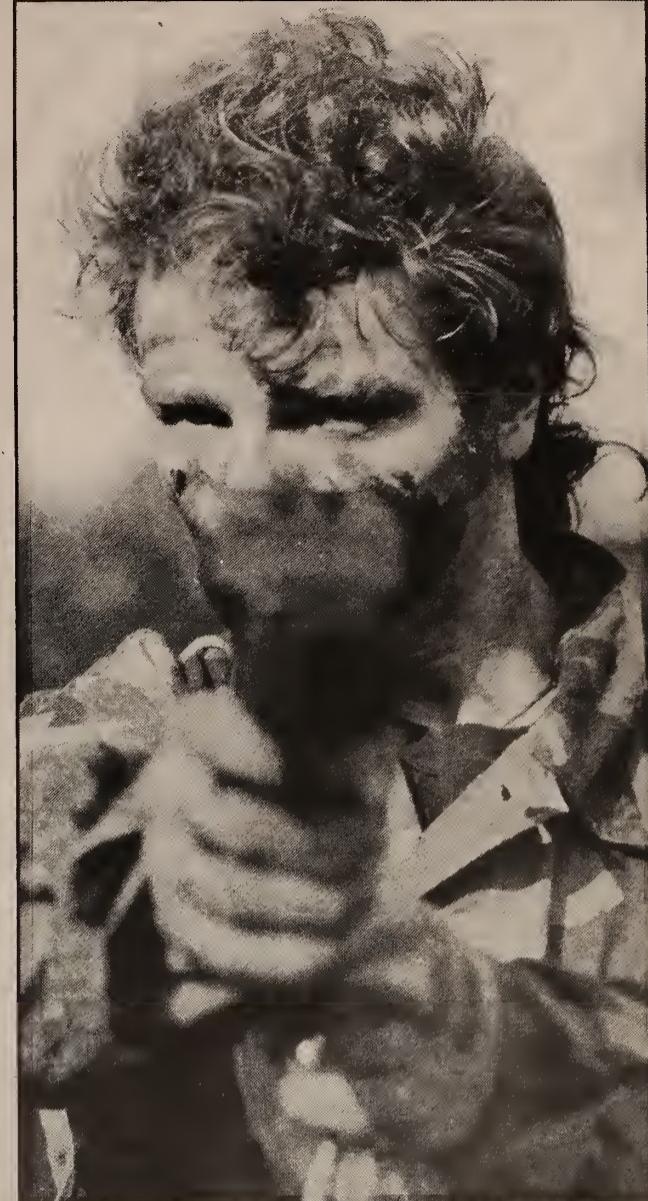
And with the movie soundtrack of *Platoon* gently playing in the background, the ragtag outfit of Saturday soldiers struggled to their feet as lunch ended.

Setting out once more down a rutted pathway, someone asked Kimpson where they were headed this time. Wasting no time with lengthy replies, he said simply, "Cambodia."

And then he smiled. He knows it's only a game.



At top, Dave Comeau of Cambridge takes careful aim. Middle photo shows Trevor Bender of Cambridge is ready for action. Bottom photo shows group back at headquarters receiving their next mission.



SPORTS

College golf team having a successful year

By Shawn Pellar

The Conestoga College varsity golf team is again taking aim at the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) championship, a title the team has won twice in the last three years.

In what coach Paul Knight described as a rebuilding year,

the team has finished with a second, third and fourth in the three tournaments leading up to the OCAA championships.

"I am very pleased this year because we have two new players on the team that have never played varsity golf before and they are holding their own out there," Knight said.

At the Cambrian College

Invitational held Sept. 17 at the Cedar Green Golf Club in Sudbury, the Condors finished in third spot with a total of 342. Georgian and Canadore College finished first and second respectively.

Russ Columbo led the Condors with a round of 83. Steve Stumpf shot an 84, Brian Carter shot an 87 and Jim

Tremble shot an 88.

At the Canadore College Invitational held Friday Sept. 18 at the North Bay Golf and Country Club, Conestoga finished second with a total of 348. Georgian College captured its second straight victory with a total of 339.

Steve Stumpf led the Condors with a round of 80. He was the second low individual at the tournament. Russ Columbo shot a round of 84. He was the third low individual at the tournament.

Brian Carter shot a 91 and Jim Tremble a 93.

The third leg of the varsity

golf season was held Sept. 23 in Barrie at the Georgian College Invitational.

Conestoga finished fourth in the field of 11 teams with a total of 354. Seneca won the tournament with a total of 341.

Russ Columbo again led the Condors with a round of 84. Steve Stumpf shot an 86 while Brian Carter and Jim Tremble chipped in with rounds of 89 and 95 respectively.

Knight said the scores did not represent the play at the Georgian Invitational as heavy winds were a factor in inflating scores.

Evaluation dictated change

By Shawn Pellar

A new varsity hockey season is on the horizon for the Conestoga College Condors, and with it comes a switch in leagues.

After toiling in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) Tier I division the past few years, the players have packed their collective hockey bags for the International Collegiate Hockey League (ICHL).

Dan Young, head coach of the hockey team, said the switch in leagues was made this year because of what happened in the past season. "There was the biggest space between our level of competitiveness and the level of competitiveness of the top teams in the Tier I league."

Young credits the use of athletic scholarships for the relatively poor showing of his and some other teams.

"The problem I see with the OCAA league is three or four teams in it offer athletic scholarships. We don't offer scholarships so it was becoming difficult for us to continue competing."

Young said the athletic department does a yearly evaluation of all varsity programs. "In the survey of the students, the athletes indicated they needed a format that was more competitive for them."

So why did Young chose the ICHL over the Tier II division that exists in the OCAA? "The Tier II format of the OCAA didn't suit us because it isn't as good a hockey as what we had been playing in the OCAA Tier I division," Young said.

Young said ICHL officials had invited the Condors to play in the league the previous four years after competing against them in exhibition games.

Young said he met with the ICHL to determine if the league had the same educational philosophy and organized structure that Conestoga has.

After the league meeting, Young said, he discussed the proposal with Bob Neath, manager of college health and recreation services.

"We put a presentation together that was approved by the president of the college and

the Doon Student Association."

"It will be a very competitive league. It's a different atmosphere and learning experience for the player, not only on the ice but off the ice."

Young said he felt it would increase the educational experience for the players.

"The players felt it would be a good opportunity for them and are excited about playing in the league," Young said.

According to Young, the league will not generate greater expense for the college because the team will play fewer games.

"The concentration of the schedule last year was tough on the students academically. The new league should help students academically and give us a more competitive format."

Young said there is a positive atmosphere around the team this year.

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Varsity sports roundup

Conestoga soccer team loses home opener

By Shawn Pellar

The Conestoga Condors soccer team opened the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) season on Sept. 15 as they battled defending OCAA champion Seneca College to a scoreless tie in Toronto.

The Condors received outstanding play from veteran goalkeeper Dirk Krebs.

A week later, however, de-

fensive lapses and the lack of a scoring punch were the call of the day as the Condors lost their first home game Sept. 22.

In what was a rematch of the season opener, goalkeeper Krebs played less than an outstanding game in a 4-1 loss.

Seneca opened the scoring early in the first half, but the Condors answered with a goal by Kim Brown. The Condors

went to the half trailing 2-1.

The Condors appeared tired in the second half as Seneca clearly controlled the pace and play of the game.

Except for a few scoring chances, the Condors watched as Seneca ran with the ball and away with the game in front of a sprinkling of supporters.

On Sept. 24 the Condors travelled to Hamilton to battle Mohawk College to a scoreless draw.

Joe Resendes recorded the shutout for the Condors.



Photo by Shawn Pellar/Spoke
Rob Ceccomancini battling for the ball against Seneca

Intramural team of the week



The men's softball Condors were selected team of the week for finishing second in the Loyalist College Invitational Tournament. (Back row left to right) are, Ron Mugford, Greg Shed, Mike Lorentz, Ron Taylor. (Front row left to right) are, Trevor McLaughlin, Rick Humphreys, Dave Cross. Doug Perkins, coach. Absent are Trevor Reeding, Dave Hooper, Doug Gibson, Ron Trento.

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first game. Condor Mike Lorentz was named the game's most valuable player.

In their second game the

Condors defeated Loyalist College 12-2. The finals pitted Conestoga against Loyalist in a game that would see Loyalist prevail 8-4.

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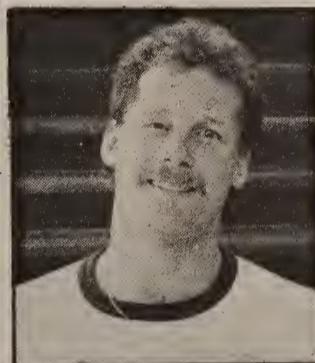
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Varsity athletes of the week



Ron Taylor

Ron Taylor of the men's softball Condors was named athlete of the week for his hitting and team leadership during the Loyalist College Invitational Tournament, where the Condors finished second.

Taylor, a native of Waterloo, is enrolled in the first year of the business administration-materials management at the Guelph campus.



Sandra Moffat

Sandra Moffat of the women's softball Condors recorded 24 strikeouts in two games, leading her team to two 2-1 victories in Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) western division play last week.

Moffat is 18 years old, and a graduate of Bluevale Collegiate. She is currently enrolled in the first year of the business administration-accounting program at the Doon campus.

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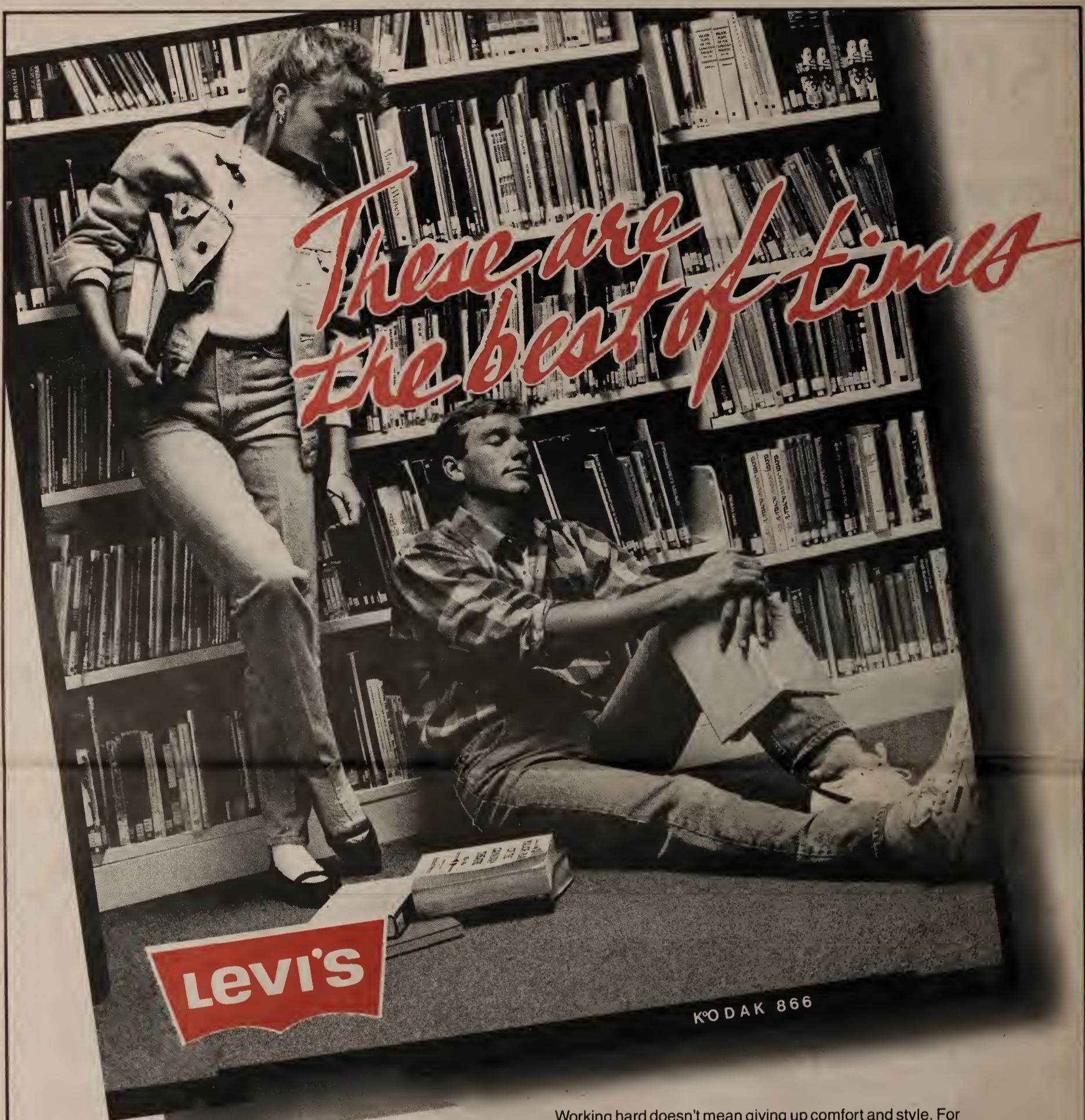
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